NOTICE TO ALL TIMBER PURCHASERS

C-256 Rosepine 2 Timber Sale Calcasieu R.D.

Bids will be received at the Forest Supervisor's Office, 2500 Shreveport Highway, Pineville, LA on September 17, 2015 at 9:00 AM.

LOCATION: This sale is located approximately six (6) miles southeast of Pickering, LA in T1N, R8W, Sec.33 T1S, R8W, Sec.3,4 of Vernon Parish. **The sale is located in the Intensive Use Area of the Vernon Unit. All timber is considered bullet contaminated.**

INCLUDED TIMBER: The sale area consists of about 341 acres, of which an estimated 171 acres are designated for cutting. The sale contains five (5) Payment Units, all of which are designation by spacing, which allows the purchaser to cut and remove smaller diameter trees meeting the Utilization Standards and the following criteria: 1) if the tree is within 27 feet of a live pine tree that has a larger stump diameter than it and the larger tree is not designated for cutting. There are RCW trees in this sale, where the logging season will be restricted within 200' of the cavity tree to the period outside the nesting season, which is March 15 – June 30. The boundaries of the Payment Units are marked with orange paint.

<u>FORM AD-3030-FS</u>: Corporations submitting an offer under this solicitation must include form AD-3030-FS Representations Regarding Felony Conviction and Tax Delinquent Status for Corporate Applicants. The form is located behind Page 5 of the Bid for Advertised Timber.

SPECIAL PRODUCT DESIGNATION: This sale contains a special product designation, Pine Non-saw, with merchantability standards of 5.0" to 12.9" DBH, at least 10 feet in height to a top diameter of 4.0" DOB. Subsequently, the specifications for a Pine Sawtimber tree will be changed to 13.0" DBH and above, at least 12 feet in height to a top diameter of 7" DOB or a limiting merchantability factor, whichever comes first.

LENGTH OF CONTRACT: The Contract termination date will be **December 31, 2017**.

SAFETY-CONTAMINATED LANDS: The timber sale is located on lands formerly used by the Department of Defense as an impact area for a wide range of small, medium, and large munitions weapons. There is a possibility that this sale contains trees contaminated with shrapnel. The sample timber sale contract special provision CT6.33 Safety-Contaminated Lands and CT6.404 Conduct of Logging on Contaminated Lands, spell out the liabilities and obligations on the part of the purchaser. Prospective bidders are encouraged to inspect this provision prior to bidding.

<u>IMPROVEMENTS:</u> Within the Sale Area are military signs. Harvesting operations should be conducted in such a manner as to avoid damaging these signs as much as possible.

EROSION CONTROL: The Purchaser will be responsible for seeding and fertilizing approximately 4.5 acres to Forest Service specifications. The Purchaser may elect to enter into a cooperative agreement with the Forest Service to have the Erosion Control work performed in exchange for a cooperative deposit in the amount of \$2,119.75.

PREHAUL ROAD MAINTENANCE: The Purchaser will be required to perform Pre-Haul Road Maintenance on 1.44 miles of Forest Service road 421 prior to hauling. A cost allowance of **\$13,576.06** is estimated for this work and should be considered a logging cost for prospective bidders. See sample contract for specific information.

PRE-BID SITE VISIT: Anyone interested in cruising this sale prior to the bid opening must first gain access by calling Ft. Polk Range Control: (337) 531-5445. All interested bidders should investigate the sale area and the sample contract prior to submission of bids, and become familiar with the provisions mentioned above and others which apply to this timber sale contract. Please contact the District Office at (318) 793-9427 if you have any questions about this sale.